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President of Terex AWP to speak at IPAF's ElevAÇÃO event

IPAF announced Matt Fearon, President of Terex AWP, global manufacturer of Genie Mobile Elevating Work Platforms, will be headline speaker at the organisation's ElevAÇÃO conference, on 5-6 February 2018 in São Paulo, Brazil.

Confirming that Mr Fearon will deliver the event's keynote address, Tim Whiteman, CEO & Managing Director of IPAF, says: "ElevAÇÃO is a high-profile event so it's great to be able to announce a suitably high-profile figure as our first confirmed speaker. We can be sure Matt's address will challenge the industry and will feature real insights into the latest technological innovations, safety best practice and new standards worldwide."

As in previous years, the ElevAÇÃO event is spread over two days, with Monday 5 February comprising a conference with lectures on safety, technical guidance and business insight and the economics of the powered access sector. IPAF's Brazil Country Council will also hold its AGM that day.

The following day consists of a Professional Development Seminar (PDS) open to all instructors and managers from IPAF Training Centres across Latin America. The whole event will feature simultaneous translations in Spanish, Portuguese and English.

Antonio Barbosa, IPAF's Latin America Manager, comments: "No doubt some people will remember that Matt Fearon addressed IPAF's Summit in Windsor, UK, back in 2014 and what a strong presentation it was; it's great IPAF can offer a Latin American audience the chance to hear his insights in 2018 – it will certainly be interesting to hear what has changed in our

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industry in the past few years and what the future might hold. I'd advise anyone with an interest in powered access operations to save the date.

"Booking will open soon and there will be considerable discounts available for those who confirm early. There are also very attractive sponsorship opportunities, and we will also be releasing more details about the programme for the event as they become available," he adds.

■ For details about ElevAÇÃO see www.ipaf.org/events; for information about ElevAÇÃO sponsorship opportunities, please contact antonio.barbosa@ipaf.org

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Awards night in Miami

The IPAF Summit and the International Awards for Powered Access (IAPAs) is a perennial highlight of the powered access calendar, and in 2018 the event returns to Miami, hosted at the Hilton Miami Downtown, Florida, USA.

Don't miss out on the access industry's most important annual celebration, combining great educational and networking opportunities, with the traditional IPAF networking event on the eve of the conference on 7 March, the Summit and IAPAs gala dinner on 8 March, and fascinating site visits on the morning of 9 March.

All of the above events are free to attend but require advance booking, with the only cost payable for those wishing to attend the IAPAs celebration dinner. Booking will open soon and can be done online at www.iapa-summit.info

Tim Whiteman, CEO of IPAF, says: "Last year's events in London were the best-attended IPAF Summit and IAPAs ever, so we're hoping for another strong showing in Miami next March. The conference and networking sessions are an invaluable opportunity for anyone with an interest in the powered access sector to learn more about training, safety and technical innovation and gain economic insights into the state of our industry.

"The IAPAs are also the leading accolades in the industry and competition is always high; so anyone who feels they are making a significant or innovative contribution in the powered access realm to consider putting themselves forward."



IAPA Winners 2017



Portugal says 'bem-vindo' to Andy Access at busy VDS expo

Andy Access, the larger-than-life safety mascot of IPAF, has made a stunning debut in Portugal with a first public appearance at Vertentes e Desafios da Segurança (VDS), the nation's leading health & safety expo in Leiria.

The event, of which IPAF was a Gold Sponsor, attracted more than 500 visitors and is Portugal's premier health & safety show. IPAF was the only exhibitor to have a stand in the outdoor area of the show, where the distinctive yellow spider tent attracted a steady stream of visitors to a special "art gallery-style" showing of all 15 of the Andy Access safety campaign posters in Portuguese.

Andy Access himself was also on hand to attract visitors to the IPAF tent, and proved immensely popular with delegates wanting selfies; he also made a new friend for life in Napo, the similarly exuberant mascot of the EU-OSHA.

IPAF also organised a technical presentation on working at height to be given during the conference by André Palma and Hélder Cruz from Palfinger, in a talk entitled Mounted Vehicle MEWPs – From Standard to Reality, which went down very well

with exhibition-goers. IPAF also received enquiries from potential new members, including a possible new training delivery partner in the country.

Filipa Sanches, IPAF's Portugal Representative, comments: "VDS is without doubt Portugal's biggest and highest profile health & safety event, and this year IPAF's training and safety messages went across really well.

"The launch of the Andy Access series of posters and the appearance of Andy Access himself was a real hit with visitors, and IPAF has certainly made new friends, including Emilia Telo, the representative for Portugal on the EU-OSHA, who is very supportive of IPAF's mission and expressed a desire for the EU-OSHA to collaborate more closely with IPAF in future.

To download IPAF Andy Access posters for free please visit www.ipaf.org/andyaccess

New IPAF Council set for Hong Kong

A council of representatives and experts from across the powered access industry has applied to the International Powered Access Federation (IPAF) Board for recognition as the official IPAF administrative region council for Hong Kong.

Nine experts from across the industry will sit on the newly formed IPAF administrative region council for Hong Kong, which will be chaired by Tony Small, Director of Gammon Construction. The other members of the



New IPAF Technical & Safety director

IPAF has made a senior management appointment to head up its global Technical & Safety department. Andrew Delahunt will join from a major global MEWP manufacturer, where he is currently the Worldwide Safety and Homologation Manager. Andrew will be based in IPAF's office in Basel, Switzerland, and will take up the post from January 2018.

Andrew can count upon a wealth of experience in the powered access industry, having worked for his current employer since 2011, first as Product Safety Manager for Asia based in his native Australia before moving to the company's head office in France to take up his most recent role in early 2015. Prior to that he spent more than a decade as an engineer working for Kenworth Trucks and Volgren Australia in Melbourne, having graduated with a B.Eng in Engineering Design from RMIT University in the city in 1999.

Tim Whiteman, CEO of IPAF, says: "We are delighted to announce Andrew's appointment, following an exhaustive recruitment process using CSG, a global recruitment agency, to source the best talent for the role. CSG undertook a full search of the market, identifying and headhunting potential individuals for the position. This resulted in Andrew being introduced to IPAF, and after an extensive interview process he was selected for the role.

"IPAF is a global leader on safety and the go-to organisation in the powered access industry when it comes to technical guidance and developing and interpreting new safety standards. It was vital to appoint the right person to this role to ensure our members continue to be heard and have influence when it comes to setting technical and safety standards around the globe.

"Once Andrew takes up the role, IPAF's Technical



Andrew joins in 2018

& Safety Department will again be fully staffed and will continue to provide an invaluable resource to members and to support IPAF in its ongoing mission to ensure powered access is as safe and effective as it can possibly be.

"IPAF is constantly developing and delivering new technical and safety guidance, such as promoting our global Back to Basics and Andy Access safety

campaigns and rolling out our new Toolbox Talks programme of safety briefings for the workplace. Andrew will no doubt help move those objectives forward while providing a great deal of valuable creative input of his own."

Andrew Delahunt says: "Everyone in the powered access industry is aware of IPAF and the vital role it plays in promoting the safe and effective use of MEWP equipment for all types of work at height, so I am thrilled to accept this role. The work IPAF does is absolutely critical and I believe I will be able to bring skills and experience garnered over many years in the industry to help move the global technical and safety agenda forward.

"My background as a qualified engineer who has worked for a major MEWP manufacturer will provide a useful perspective for my IPAF colleagues, as we are seeing increasingly sophisticated technical specifications, capabilities and standards across our industry. I look forward very much to taking up this new challenge in my care."



IPAF's MEWP controls research hits the road

A special Mobile Elevating Work Platform (MEWP) control test rig has been travelling the world since its debut at the APEX 2017 event in Amsterdam, Netherlands, in May, and most recently has been on three major UK construction sites to gather data to help the global standards body make recommendations as to the best way to standardise MEWP controls worldwide.

Rupert Douglas-Jones, Technical & Safety Officer at the International Powered Access Federation (IPAF), has been braving all weathers this autumn in a major push to gain as much data as possible via the Which Way is Up? MEWP controls research project, which was initiated based on feedback from IPAF member firms, who wanted to explore means by which it may be possible to standardise controls across MEWPs around the world.

The test rig has been on construction sites operated by Sir Robert McAlpine in both Barrow-in-Furness in Cumbria and Salford, Manchester, ahead of the data being uploaded for a recent meeting of the ISO TC214 Working Group, which is looking at ways to standardise some of the core MEWP controls to better improve safety.

Rupert Douglas-Jones comments: "All we are asking people to do is to step into the dummy platform and either 'lower' or 'raise' the basket with a simple movement of the joystick; we then record that response and enter it into our growing database."

new council are:

- **Raymond Wat**, Regional General Manager of IPAF in South-east Asia
- **Nice Wu**, Project Manager, Shing Fung Engineering & Equipment Ltd
- **Rain Ku**, Managing Director, Honor Us Equipment (HK) Ltd
- **Ken Tsang**, Manager, Modern (International) Access & Scaffolding Ltd
- **Cheung Chi Sing**, Director, Chicardo Investment Ltd
- **Glenn Ho**, Senior Regional Manager, Terex AWP (HK)
- **Lewis Wu**, Director of Marketing, Strategy and Product Management, Asia JLG Industries (Shanghai)

■ **Tomie Chan**, General Manager North Asia, Haulotte Group

Raymond Wat, IPAF's Regional General Manager for South East Asia, says: "We're pleased to have been able to put this group together and we have high hopes it will lead to a much safer industry."

The convening of IPAF's first Hong Kong Council comes at an auspicious time, as the organisation's *Powered Access Rental Market Report for 2017* shows stellar growth for the powered access market and the wider Asian rental fleet last year. *The Global Powered Access Rental Market Report 2017* can now be purchased at www.ipaf.org/reports



New members

IPAF welcomes the following new members. Full contact details can be found in the Membership Directory at www.ipaf.org

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Terex Middle East, Dubai, UAE

SERVICE

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TRAINING (GROUP)

Advanced National Training Services, Dunshaughlin, A85 PV48, Ireland

TRAINING CENTRES

AJI Heavy Equipment Rental LLC, Dubai Marina, Dubai, UAE

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Statech SRO, 27701, Dolan Berkovice, Czech Republic

Rapid Access LLC, Safat 13155, Kuwait

Quick Reach Powered Access Ltd, Wishaw, Lanarkshire, Scotland

Ramirez, CP 15000, Canelones, Uruguay

TRAINING CENTRES (SATELLITES)

Ashtead Plant Hire Co Ltd, Swinton, Rotherham, UK

Manlift India Private Limited, Gujarat, India

USER

Mark Kenyon, Abu Dhabi, UAE

Binesh T V Leslie, Blue Horizon Services, Abu Dhabi, UAE

UK PDS programme keeps IPAF instructors up to date

IPAF has successfully concluded the UK portion of its annual Professional Development Seminars, with two well-attended events in Newcastle, at the Marriott Hotel, Metro Centre Gateshead, on 18 October, and another in Oxfordshire, at the De Veres Milton Hill Abingdon, on 7 November. More than 250 attendees across the two events heard speakers from IPAF's training, audit, technical & safety departments, as well as Dr Ioannis Toutoungi, a safety and behavioural consultant who works with Network Rail, and Daniel Campling,

Test & Validation Engineer for Nifty Lift, who talked about advances in hybrid technology in MEWPs. Other PDS events are scheduled for other IPAF countries and regions during the remainder of 2017 and into 2018.



New editorial partner and publication date for IPAF's 'Powered Access'

IPAF has announced that its annual Powered Access magazine will have a new publication date in 2018, and will be written and produced by Atom Publishing, a London-based company. Powered Access will be published and distributed in the last week of February 2018. More than 30,000 copies will be printed and will be distributed in the UK with the March 2018 issue of Construction Manager, the magazine of the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB).

Tim Whiteman, CEO & Managing Director of IPAF, comments: "We are looking forward to working with Atom to produce a fresh, informative and inviting publication in both print and digital format. We are also excited by the opportunities our new publishing partner offers in terms of broadening the audience base for Powered Access, in the construction sector but also to readers in health & safety roles, architecture, facilities management and more."

IPAF and Atom are planning the editorial direction of the magazine and the 2018 media pack outlining advertising rates and sponsorship opportunities will be available soon.

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OSH India

CIDCO Exhibition Centre, Navi Mumbai, India

5-6 February 2018

IPAF ElevAÇÃO 2018

Hotel Terras Altas, Itapeperica da Serra, São Paulo, Brazil

20-23 February 2018

SICUR

IFEMA, Madrid, Spain
Hall 6, Stand 6A27

6-8 March 2018

ISNR 2018

ADNEC, Abu Dhabi, UAE

8 March 2018

IPAF Summit & International Awards for Powered Access (IAPAs)

Hilton Miami Downtown, Miami, USA

14-17 March 2018

MAWEV Show 2018

St. Pölten, Austria

22-23 March 2018

DLR Congress 2018

Bordeaux, France

29 March 2018

Rental Turkey

Istanbul Marriott Hotel Asia, Kayisdagi Caddesi No 3, Atasehir, Istanbul 34750, Turkey

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